## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION No. 5:12-CR-9-D

| UNITED STATES OF AMERICA | ) |       |
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|                          | ) | ORDER |
| v.                       | ) | ORDER |
| DENNIS RAY HOWARD,       | ) |       |
| Defendant.               | ) |       |

The court hereby gives notice under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32(h) that it is contemplating an upward departure because reliable information indicates that defendant's criminal history category substantially underrepresents the seriousness of defendant's criminal history or the likelihood that defendant will commit other crimes. See U.S.S.G. § 4A1.3(a)(2)(A); United States v. Howard, 773 F.3d 519, 528 (4th Cir. 2014); Def. Sent. Mem. [D.E. 112] 3 (recognizing that the court might find that "a departure is necessary to accomplish a purpose of sentencing").

SO ORDERED. This 2 oday of May 2015.

JAMES C. DEVER III

Chief United States District Judge